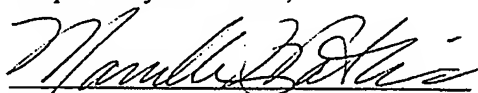


# REMARKS

The Examiner is respectfully requested to enter into the record the above amendments prior to calculating the filing fee on the application referenced above.

As indicated by the examining officer in the related PCT application, each of the claims remaining after the present amendment is allowable. Applicants therefore respectfully submit that the present case is now in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,



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